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Docket No.: 0756-0124P

MS PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b), is a Continuation-In-Part application of U.S. 09/720,338 filed on December 22, 2000. The present application is filed on behalf of the inventor(s) according to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.41(c).

Inventor(s): Franz Paul ARMBRUSTER, Wolfgang VOELTER,

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For: VITAMIN D DERIVATIVES FUNCTIONAL AND METHOD

DETERMINING 25-HYDROXY- AND 1a, 25-DIHYDROXY VITAMIN D

## Enclosed are:

冈 A specification consisting of forty-three (43) pages

冈 Sixteen (16) sheet(s) of formal drawings

冈 Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.

Applicant does not claim priority



Other:

	Applicant claims the right of priority under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 119 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.55(a) based on Application No(s). 19828379.2 and 19840435.2 filed in
	Germany on June 25, 1998 and September 4, 1998, respectively  ☐ Certified copy(ies) is(are) attached hereto.  ☐ Certified copy(ies) will follow.
	Priority of U.S. Application 09/720,338, filed December 22, 2000, which is the National Stage Application of PCT International Application No. PCT/EP99/04418 filed on June 25, 1999, is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 120.
$\boxtimes$	Executed Declaration in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.64 will follow
	An assignment of the invention
	Preliminary Amendment

Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 with reference(s)

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Respectfully submitted,

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